

Division of Parks & Recreation closes portion of Assawoman Canal Trail until early spring during DNREC canal maintenance dredging project

LEWES – Due to the Assawoman Canal maintenance dredging project currently under way by DNREC's Division of Watershed Stewardship, a portion of the Division of Parks & Recreation's adjacent Assawoman Canal Trail has been closed until early spring.

The trailhead parking lot at Town Road (near Route 26) will remain open and visitors can still access the northern section of the trail. However, the 500-yard-long southern section of the one-mile trail will remain closed during the Assawoman Canal dredging project because of heavy excavation equipment working at the site. The southern section of the trail has a tentative April 1 reopening date.

The purpose of the Assawoman Canal maintenance dredging project is to improve recreational navigation along the four-mile-long waterway. The multi-use Assawoman Canal Trail is managed by Delaware Seashore State Park. For more information, please contact Park Superintendent Doug Long at (302) 227-2800.



Assawoman Canal Trail map – with trail highlighted in yellow

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